Holds Charge of Surrender to Force in 8-Hour Law Weak, Because False.

SAYS PUBLIC SENTIMENT **DEMANDED ACTION TAKEN**

Sorry to Behold Spectacle of "Mr. Hughes, Hard Driven, Appealing to Special Interests."

CHICAGO, September 20 .- "A Word About the So-Called Eight-Hour Law as Related to Railroad Operatives," by William J. Stop , United States senator from Missouri, was issued by the western national democratic headquarters here today. Accompanying the stateens an assertion that Senator Stone was representing the thought of the administration on the subject. The statement said, in part:

"Messrs. Hughes, Roosevelt, Root Lodge, Penrose, Crane, Pierpont Morgan, George W. Perkins and that en tire genus maintain that the President and Congress surrendered to force and thereby discredited public authority and weakened the foundations of our

governmental institution.

"One weakness about this charge is that it is false. Nobody threatened the President or Congress; nobody demanded anything of them. There was no controversy between the government and the railroad employes, nor between the government and the railroad managements. The controversy was purely industrial, waged between several hundred thousand men who actually operate trains on the one hand and the managers of the railroads on the other. governmental institution.

Trouble Reached Acute Point. "The trouble had reached a point so

acute that these hundreds of thouands of men were on the verge of a strike; they were about to quit work, and thus leave the entire railroad transportation of the country tied up for an indefinite period."

The statement then points out that while the crisis existed senators and representatives and members of the administration were receiving communications from all sections of the country, indicating that "The public sentiment almost universally favored any reasonable means of averting this catastrophe."

In this city, several buildings being in course of construction and plans and specifications prepared and submitted on structures on which it is hoped to start operations within the next thirty days.

Max Rosenfeld, who recently purchased the three-story brick dwelling

any reasonable means of averting this catastrophe."

The senator pointed out the possible effects of a strike on the fruit growers of the far west, on feeders of livestock, farmers shipping grain on contracts, manufacturers of steel and textlles under contract to be shipped, on the fuel supply of the country and on the mining and timber industries and their allied interests and dependents.

"The fact is," he continued, "the very threat of this nation-wide lock-up caused a big jump in the prices of food, coal and all the necessaries of life and industry, and it is worthy of note that when the danger passed prices went back to normal.

Faced Task Patriotically.

These are the things the President ed, and such the calamity he bravely, stiently, patriotically sought to avert clames him? Mr. Hughes says he uld have investigated the questions at issue before acting. They seem to think that although the house was on fire, the President should have inquired into the cause of the fire before puting it out, instead of first putting it out and then investigating the cause. "I can understand this argument when made by men like J. Pierpont Mergan, George W. Perkins and others of that type, but I am amazed that Mr. Hughes should adopt it. I am amazed that he would ally himself with Mr. Morgan—multimillionaire, prince of Wall street, maker and wrecker of railroads, lord of the British exchequer in America. at issue before acting. They seem to

"Is that really the issue Mr. Hughes presents to the judgment of the American people? For myself, I proclaim this achievement, considered in its immediate and patent blessings, as one of the greatest in the history of the republic.

Will Not Shrink From Issue. "Mr. Hughes, hard driven, is appeal-

ing to powerful special interests. I am sorry to behold this spectacle in our public life. I am sure the Presiden will not shrink from this issue. He has other things of vastly greater importance to talk about, but he can meet this issue without a shadow of appre-

hension.

"I would turn from Morgan, Perkins, Roosevelt, Root, Lodge, Penrose and all such as these, whe preach these strange dectrines, and ask the great masses of the people whether the President was right. Moreover, when powerful, opulent, shinister, special interests assail the President because of this fine act of Christian statesmanship, I would ask the workingmen, who, with the President because of the country—what labor interests of the country—what asswer they will make."

SAFETY MATCHES JOIN

Retailers Say Wholesalers Have ested Prices on Them-Potatoes Advance Steadily.

crosse in many directions, according to information among dealers today. Remilere have added 3 cents per dosen te the price of safety matches, which formerly sold for 5 cents, daiming that the wholesalers are charging them more for this common household

paper, all of which enter into the manufacture of matches, have all gone up in price since the beginning of the war, making an increased charge for matches necessary.

A great scarcity of potatoes was reported in the markets and among provision dealers today. Potatoes, which began increasing in price about the time there was so much talk of the prospect of a railroad strike, have steadily advanced. A crop shortage in the west is believed to be responsible. There were no developments today in the situation, concerning the prospective increase in the price of milk, following the meeting held yesterday hetween the milk producers of Marylend, Virginia and the District of Columbia and the dealers of Washington. Before the meeting concluded yesterday about fifteen of the sixty-five dealers in Washington appeared to take part. No conclusions were reached. In the meanwhile the milk producers are urging the 1,400 producers who supply Washington to appear at the Raleigh Hotel at 11 o'clock Saturday morning, when a mass meeting of producers is to be held to ascertain if some way can not be found to increase the price A great scarcity of potatoes was re

MUTT AND JEFF-Jeff Meant "Yet," Not "Still."

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Notable Increase in Building Operations in the City.

CONSTRUCTION UNDER WAY

W. H. McClure of Washington Remodels Washington Hall Property. General and Personal News.

ce of The Star. ALEXANDRIA, Va., September 20. There is considerable building activity in this city, several buildings being in

and store known as 608 and 610 King street, has submitted to local builders plans and specifications for a handsome two-story store building and apartment, with basement, to be constructed on the site of the present structure. Following the award of this contract the existing building will be razed.

Washington Man's Plans.

W. H. McClure of Washington, who as just converted the ground floor of the old Washington Hall, on the south side of King street between Washington and St. Asaph streets, into two store buildings, has had plans com-

pleted for the remodeling of the two upper floors into six apartments which will contain six rooms each. Contractor Samuel De Vaughan has just been awarded the contract by Car-ter Bros. for remodeling the brick dwelling with basement on the south side of King street between Payne and West streets into a store building and apartment. The work was started to apartment. The work was started to-

Business Building Begun.

E. G. Heffin, architect and builder, of Fredericksburg, Va., has about comfoundation of a new mill to be erected at the southwest corner of Pitt and Wilkes streets for the Klots Sill Wilkes streets for the Klots Silk
Throwing Company. R. S. Cleveland of
this city is superintendent of this work.
The structure will be of two stories
and basement. The basement will be
'constructed of concrete and the other
portions of the building of brick. It
will extend 100 feet on Wilkes street
and sixty-four feet on Pitt street.
It is stated the structure will cost
approximately \$20,000.

High School Cadets to Meet.

The Alexandria High School Cadet Corps will meet at the high school this afternoon, when plans for work for the coming school year will be dis-

Lieut. and Mrs. Daniel N. Swan, who for the past two and a half years have been making their home at Fort Ruger, Honolulu, arrived here this morning with their little daughter. Mrs. Swan will spend the winter with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Alexander S. Doniphan.

Lieut. Swan has just been promoted to the position of instructor in science and military tactics at a government school in Montana, and he expects to shortly take up the duties incident to his new position. Mrs. Swan was Miss Roxie Doniphan.

Funeral of Mrs. Fannie Davis.

The funeral of Mrs. Fannie Davis, widow of F. C. Davis, who died yesterday erning at her home at Occoquan, Va., nok place this afternoon and burial was made in Oak Grove cemetery, Bacon Race, Prince William county. Mrs. Davis was sixty-seven years old

Mrs. Davis was sixty-seven years old and leaves five sons and one daughter.
Samuel Hedding, while sawing wood near Braddock, Alexandria county, was struck over the head by a piece of wood, as the resuit of an accident, and his head and face were injured. He was treated at the Alexandria Hospital by Drs. S. B. Moore and R. J. Yates.

While riding a bicycle yesterday afternoon Joseph Kaufman, ten years old, was struck by a mail wagon and received slight bruises and his bicycle was demolished. He was treated by Dr. E. A. Gorman.

The case against certain employes of the Chesapeake and Potomac Telephone Company, who, it is charged, erected a large telephone pole in front of the residence of Index I K. M. Norton without

large telephone pole in front of the resi-dence of Judge J. K. M. Norton without obtaining the permission of the latter, is scheduled to be heard tomorrow morning in the police court. This case was called this morning and a continu-ance granted at the request of Attorney G. L. Boothe, who represents the com-pany.

General Mention.

Members of the police and fire departnents of the city attended the evan

Niagara Falls ROUND \$12.00 TRIP

September 29 SPECIAL TRAIN LEAVES

Washington (Union Station) - - 7:40 a.m. Parlor Cars, Restaurant Car, Day Coacher ia Picturesque Susquehanna Valle; Tickets good for FIFTEEN DAYS.
Stepover at Butfale, Harrisburg and Bairimore returning, or may be used to
return via Philadelphia with stopoff in
that city. Illustrated Booklet of Ticket
Agents.

Pennsylvania R. R.

gelistic services being conducted by Gypsy Smith, jr., last night. At the request of the choir director both the police and firemen sang hymns, and a

police and firemen sang hymns, and a solo was given by Police Sergt. W. J. Wilkinson. Kenneth W. Ogden led the firemen in singing.

Charles S. Stoler, who for the past eight years has been employed with Galt & Brother, Washington, has accepted a position with Bailey, Banks & Biddle Company, Philadelphia, and will leave for Philadelphia tomorrow. Rev. C. R. Strasburg, formerly pastor of the Methodist Protestant Church, this city, now of Maryland, is in the city visiting friends.

RETALIATORY MEASURE FOUND TO BE IMPERFECT

Defects in Enactment Relating to Clearance of Vessels Refusing United States Cargoes.

Proclamation by the President puting into effect the retaliatory legislation passed by Congress will be delayed by imperfections discovered in the

It was stated today that the legislation authorizing the President to refuse clearance to vessels which decline o accept goods for any reason except lack of cargo space, takes into consideration neither the rights of beligerents nor the duties of neutrals. It would authorize the withholding of clearance from a vessel which refused to accept contraband of war, notwithstanding that the acceptance of such a cargo would make the vessel liable to capture and confiscation by a

Other Defects Discovered.

The measure also fails to take into onsideration, it was said, the fact that Dutch or a Scandinavian ship might refuse to accept goods held to be contraband by the British government, al-

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though not recognized as contraband by the United States. A neutral merchant ship, it was argued, might be justified in refusing to accept American goods for neutral European countries which are "ra-tioned" by Great Britain, on the ground that to do so would make itself liable to forfeit coaling and other privileges enjoyed under arrangements with Great Britain, besides running the risk of in-terception at sea by British patrols and diversion to British ports, where the cargo would be thrown into the prize court.

Only One Inducement.

The only persuasion which might inluce such a neutral vessel to accept goods from Holland and Scandinavia, it was said, would be assurance that an American naval convoy would be furnished to protect it from British

Burning of Zeppelins Denied.

BERLIN, September 20, by wireless to Sayville.—The Overseas News Agency says the recently published report that an aerodrome near Frankfort was burned, causing the destruction of fifteen aeroplanes and four nearly completed Zeppeins, is untrue.

A Philadelphia electrician is the in-ventor of a portable motor-driven pipe-threading machine which is supplied with current by the storage batteries of an au-torobile.

Again to the Front With

Unmatchable \$1 \(\Omega.00\)

"Betty Wynn" Suits made many warm friends last spring by the extraordinary style, quality and value in them. This fall it has been an extremely tedious task, and one where it was necessary to sacrifice profits in order to get any suits to retail at this price. We have a number of good, all-wool serge styles, with guaranteed satin linings. Braid, button and fur trimmed. All sizes, in black, navy, green and brown.

Alterations FREE OF CHARGE

Greatest Millinery Values

Women's New Fall Silk Poplin Dresses, \$4.98

Trimmed Hats \$ 7.98 New Sol's Satin

Newest Tans — Side Rolls, Rack Rolls, Draped Turbans and Large Sailors, in fine quality silk velvets, in the most

New 98C Shapes 98C In a Special Thursday sale, Large sallor and medium and Tam shapes, Extraordinary val-ues.

"Betty Wynn" Fall Suits

WILL SEE WARSHIPS IN TARGET PRACTICE

Secretary Daniels and Naval Civilian Consulting Board Go to the Virginia Capes.

Secretary Daniels and most of the members of the naval civilian consulting board left here last night on the gunboat Dolphin to witness target practice of the battleships of the Atlantic fleet on the southern drill grounds, outside the Vir-The consulting board has effected a

permanent organization by the election of the following named officers: Thomas A. Edison, chairman; William L. Saunders of the American Institute of Mining Engineers and Dr. Peter C. Hewitt of the Inventors' Guild, both of New York city, vice chairmen, and Thomas Robbins of the Inventors' Guild, secretary.

Naval Laboratory Discussed

Preliminary plans for the \$1,500,000 naval laboratory, to be built under the board's direction, were discussed and a committee of six was appointed to inves

time was fixed, but it was said the work would be expedited, with a view of beginning actual construction as soon as possible. The committee was composed of Messrs. Edison, Robbins, W. R. Whitney, L. H. Baekeland, Frank J. Sprague and Lawrence Addicks.

Howard E. Cofin of Detroit announced that the committee which has been surveying industrial resources with a view of mobilizing them in time of war practically had completed its work and would report soon. The survey was nation-wide

tigate and report on a suitable site. No in its scope, Mr. Coffin said, and had been time was fixed, but it was said the work would be expedited, with a view of be-WAR RIOTING AT CHEMNITZ.

ives were lost, took place at Chemnitz

75c Yard-wide French Serge ... 49c

Five Hussars and Forty Civilians Reported Killed; Many Wounded. LONDON, September 20, 11:32 a.m.rious rioting, in which a number of

The dispatch says the rioting started when the news arrived of the heavy loss of Chemnitz workmen in the Somme bat-tile. Crowds assembled on the streets and sang "The Internationale." They refused to disperse and were charged by hussars. Five hussars were killed and 40 wounded and about 40 civilians were killed, and 300, armed with revolvers, were arrested.

—By BUD FISHER.

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Splendid weave for fall suits, dresses and skirts. Soft, fine twilled quality in black and cream. A third under price to-Store Hours: 8:30 to 6

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Children's

Hats

98c

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Skirts \$ 2.98 Guaranteed Sol's Satin Skirts, with elastic bands, to fit any size waist. Two large gathered patch pockets, with pearl trimming.

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All-wool Ruben's Shirts 44c New Style Veils, all

Jackets, 98c

Jackets, 98c

St. Women's Winter Vests and Pants 25c

Women's Wool Sweaters \$1.98

St. Sanitary Aprens 176 89c Sateen Underskirts 55c 55c Sanitary Aprons 17c 59c Bungalow Aprons 44c 50c New Handbags and Strap 8c Blankets, 54x74, strip 33c Books 25c \$1.98 Double-bed Blankets. \$1.49 39c Boys' Blouses 19c 12½c Curtain Draperies 6¾c \$2.00 Men's Felt Hats \$1.45 12½c Bleached Outing Flannel. 7¾c \$2.00 Men's Pants \$1.45 9c Bleached Canton Flannel. 5½c 75c Men's Night Shirts 43c \$6.50 Boys' Wool Suits \$4.85

Children's E-Z Union Suits....49c 81x90 Seamless Bleached Sheets.65c Misses' 59c Union Suits39c 35c Mill Run Burson Hose18c Large can O. K. Cleanser 4c Large Style Cape Collars 12c

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It takes keen eyes to find the tiny faults-so skillfully have they been repaired. A glove opportunity doubly remarkable this season-because of

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Ready to outfit the schoolgirl with these fine middles of galatea and Lonsdale jean—jaunty styles, including belted coat effects, yoke middles, laced fronts and bottoms, and regulation styles. One or two pockets. Sizes 6 to 20.

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